

Amendments to the Specification.

This application is a continuation of and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to 09/165,460, filed October 2, 1998 (now, US Pat No. 7,029,911), which is a divisional of 08/902,774, filed July 30, 1997, abandoned, which claims the benefit of 60/023,491, filed August 7, 1996, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Please amend the paragraph at p.3, lines 6-11 as follows:

Accordingly, the invention provides vectors that includes a nucleic acid sequence which encodes an Afc1p or Rce1p polypeptide (or both polypeptides), or conservatively modified variations of Afc1p or Rce1p. Exemplar nucleic acids which encode Afc1p, or Rce1p include those set forth in SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:2 3. Recombinant cells, including recombinant yeast cells, which comprise a vector nucleic acid of the invention are also provided.